

# Check 1 Nouns, determiners, articles

## 1 Choose the correct answer A, B, C or D.

Violet Jessop was a stewardess on the White Star Line for (1) ..... years in the 1900s. In 1911 she was serving on the *Olympic* when it collided with another ship, *HMS Hawke*. (2) ..... ships were damaged but fortunately, (3) ..... on either ship lost their lives.

The following year Violet was serving on the *Titanic* when it struck an iceberg and sank. As we know, (4) ..... the passengers and (5) ..... lost their lives but Violet survived. In 1916, during (6) ..... First World War, Violet was working as a Red Cross nurse aboard *HMS Britannic* when it also sank after striking a mine. (7) ..... of those on board died. Violet was washed overboard and hit by one of (8) ..... ship's propellers but she managed to save (9) ..... by grabbing on to a life jacket as it floated past her.

Violet had never learned to swim. (10) ..... might say that Violet had (11) ..... luck because she was involved in three disasters at sea. On the other hand, for a non-swimmer with a career on the sea, it could be said she had (12) ..... of luck!

1 A plenty	B many of	C several	D several of
2 A Both	B Each	C Either	D Neither
3 A someone	B anyone	C no one	D everyone
4 A many	B many of	C much	D much of
5 A crew	B crews	C crew's	D a crew
6 A a	B some	C any	D the
7 A A great deal	B A large number	C A little	D Much
8 A a	B some	C any	D the
9 A her	B herself	C it	D –
10 A One	B Oneself	C She	D Herself
11 A few	B a few	C little	D a little
12 A enough	B much	C a large number	D a great deal

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## 2 Complete the sentences. Use *a*, *an*, *the* or zero article (-).

- 13 ..... rich should do more to help ..... poor.
- 14 ..... travel adds ..... interest and ..... variety to ..... life.
- 15 ..... dictionary is ..... important tool in learning ..... language.
- 16 You should leave ..... space between paragraphs.
- 17 ..... horse has been domesticated for thousands of years.
- 18 Excuse me, but is there ..... room for my luggage over there?
- 19 I don't have ..... time now. Could we speak later?

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### 3 Correct the sentences.

20 A: Is Thailand a Buddhist country?  
B: Yes, it is.

21 A: What do you think of the president of France?  
B: I'm not sure.

22 A: I'd love to buy new furnitures for my home.  
B: Perhaps one day you will.

23 A: He felt like a King when he won first prize!  
B: I bet he did!

24 A: Is the binoculars yours?  
B: Yes.

25 A: Physics are my worst subject.  
B: Really?

26 A: Have you ever watched a game of American football?  
B: No. Have you?

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### 4 Complete the conversations. Use one word in each gap.

A: Have you got any money for the groceries?  
B: I've got £50.  
A: That's (27) ..... ! We only need bread and milk.

A: I didn't understand (28) ..... Johan said. Did you?  
B: No, but don't pay (29) ..... attention to him. Sometimes he (30) ..... doesn't know what he means.

A: Where has (31) ..... gone?  
B: Home. They left a couple of hours ago.

A: Is the job finished yet?  
B: Yes, (32) ..... the work has been done.

A: Is everybody happy with the decision?  
B: Not really. (33) ..... of us has a different opinion about what we should do.

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### 5 Circle the correct answer.

34 A: We have *an hour's wait / an hours' wait* before the meeting.  
B: As long as that?

35 A: I'm looking for a book on *the history of Turkey / Turkey's history*.  
B: Try the third shelf down on your left.

36 A: I've got *three week's holiday / three weeks' holiday* this year.  
B: I bet you're looking forward to it!

37 A: Don't leave your *belongings / belonging* unattended when you're at the airport.  
B: Of course. I'll be careful.

38 A: How many of *the girl's mothers / the girls' mothers* came to the meeting?  
B: Most of them, I think.

39 A: Are the children old enough to *dress / dress themselves*?  
B: Not quite.

40 A: We're spending a week at *Helmut and Trudy's / Helmut's and Trudy's*.  
B: That sounds like fun.

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